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Sir:

The January 31, 2002 Monthly Statement in the above-identified account (copy enclosed) shows a charge in the amount of \$920 for patent application Serial No. 09/529,354. The charge is in error.

On December 19, 2001, applicant filed an amendment, a petition for three-month extension of time and a check in the amount of \$920. [A copy of the canceled \$920 check is attached hereto.] Applicant subsequently filed an appeal brief on December 20, 2001.

Although we have no way of knowing how the erroneous \$920 charge to the deposit account occurred, it appears that although the \$920 check was processed, the amendment and petition for extension of time were not matched with the file.<sup>1</sup> Thus, when the subsequent appeal brief was processed, the deposit account was charged the \$920 dollar extension of time fee so that the appeal brief could be considered.

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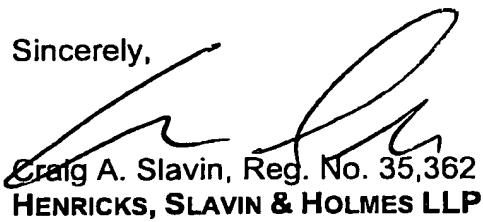
<sup>1</sup> Applicant recently received a notice from the Examiner which indicated that the amendment is not in the PTO file. A copy of the amendment is being transmitted to the Examiner.

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please feel free to call (310) 563-1458 if you have any questions.

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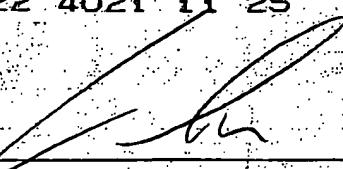
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